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Welcome to the Sonic Comic Universe—a world unique & beyond what you know from the SEGA games!  
Where Knuckles and Amy Rose seek to save and restore the Master Emerald from Walter Naugus!

# SONIC UNIVERSE™

## THE STORY SO FAR...



**KNUCKLES & AMY**  
MASTER EMERALD GUARDIAN  
& HAMMER HEROINE



**SHADOW & ROUGE**  
ULTIMATE LIFE FORM  
& SUPER SPY



**CRYSTAL OMEGA**  
POSSESSED SUPER  
BADNIK



**WALTER NAUGUS**  
TROLL WIZARD

### Loss of Control

During the search for the final Master Emerald shards, Knuckles was tricked by the vile wizard Walter Naugus. Walter stole the shards, intending to restore the Master Emerald and use its power to restore his magical abilities.

To stall for time, Walter used what little power he had left to take control of Omega.

Now Knuckles, Amy Rose, Shadow and Rouge face down the deadliest of the E-100 series, made deadlier by Walter's magic...



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PALACE ZONE,  
WESTSIDE  
ISLAND

**KAT-HOOM**

**Shattered** **PART 3** **LOST & FOUND**

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YOU JUST HAD TO LEAD THAT THING BACK HERE!

WE CAME TO RESCUE YOU!

YEAH, WELL, I WAS COMING TO RESCUE YOU!



WE BEAT YOU TO IT. WHERE IS NAUGUS, ANYWAY?

DOWN THERE. HE'S SEALED HIMSELF IN WITH THE MASTER EMERALD SHARDS. HIS CRYSTAL BARRICADE IS TOO STRONG. I'LL NEED HELP BREAKING IT DOWN--



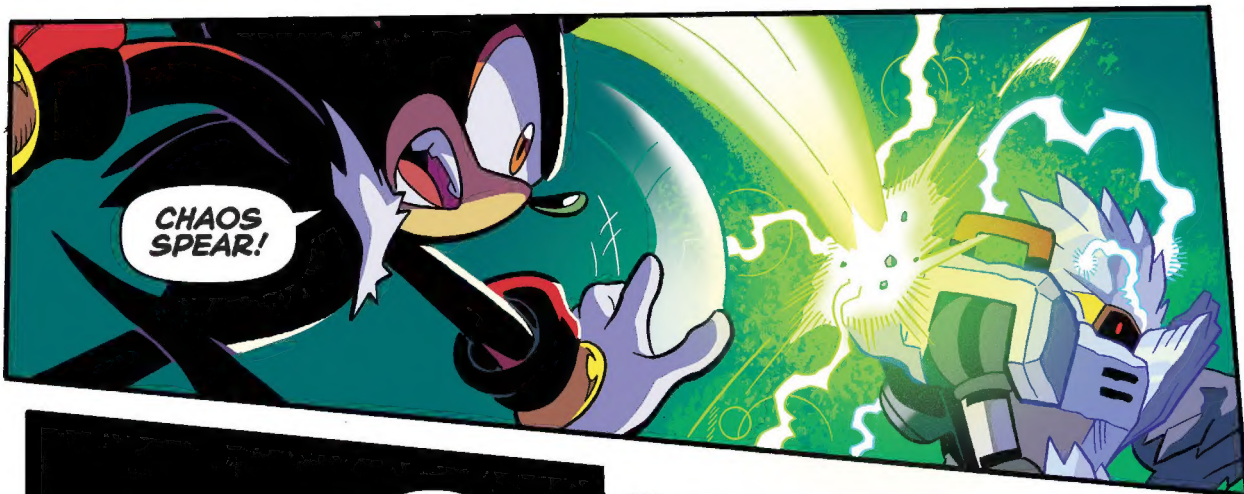
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--BUT I GUESS WE'VE GOT TO HANDLE THIS GUY FIRST!

RIGHT!





CHAOS SPEAR!



OR THAT!



ARE YOU SURE THIS IS YOUR ROBOT BUDDY?

I DIDN'T WANT TO THINK SO, BUT NOW THAT I'VE GOT A CLEAR LOOK AT HIM? YEAH-- IT'S HIM.



WELL WE NEED TO FIGURE OUT A WAY TO GET HIM BACK TO NORMAL. WE CAN'T GET THROUGH TO NAUGUS WITHOUT HIS FIREPOWER.

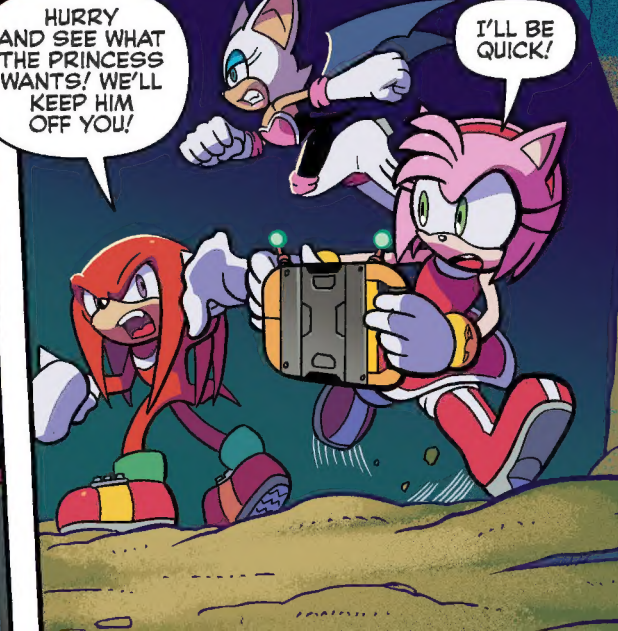
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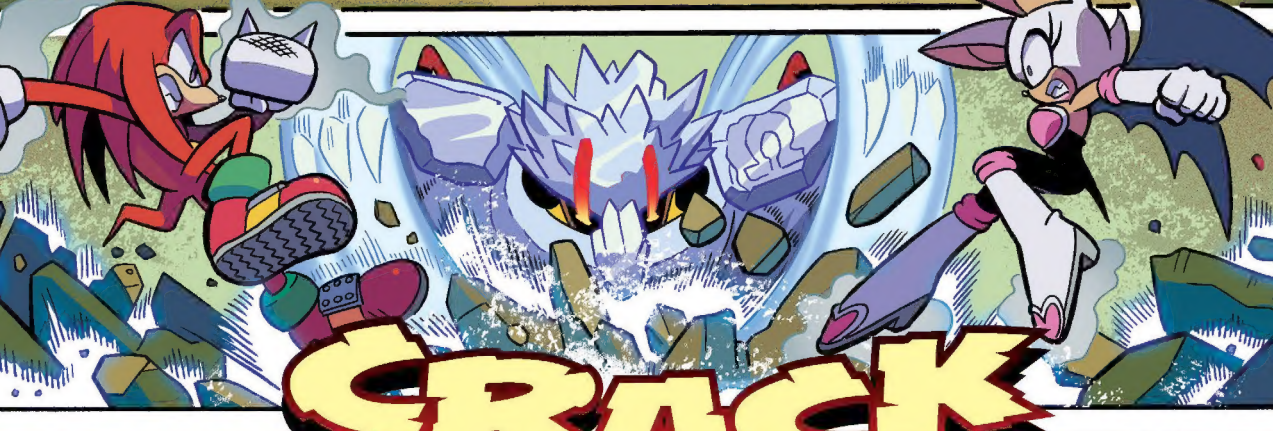
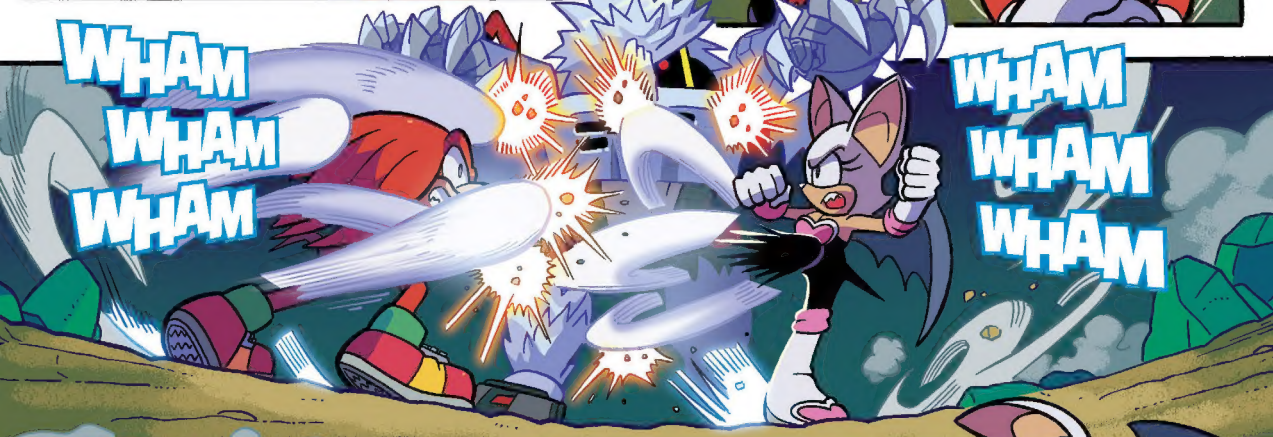
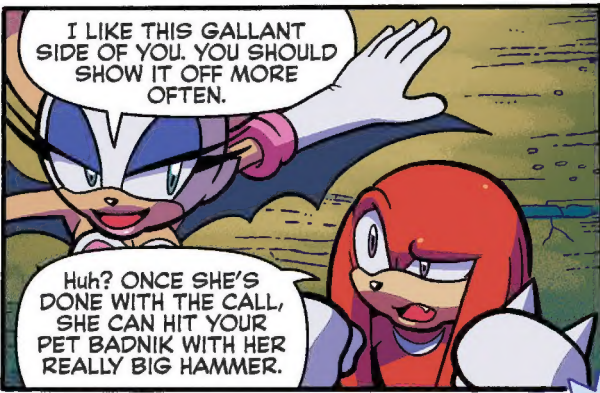
IT'S PRINCESS SALLY! IT MUST BE SOMETHING IMPORTANT.

I'M AMAZED YOU'RE GETTING ANY SIGNAL DOWN HERE.

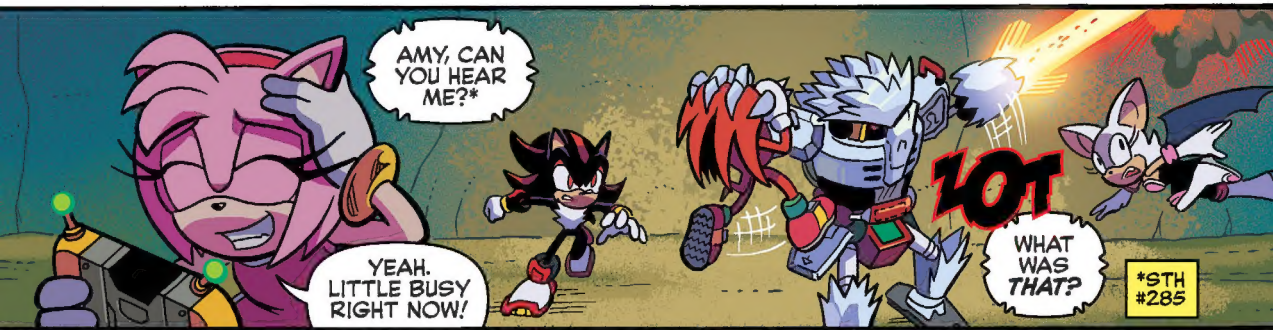










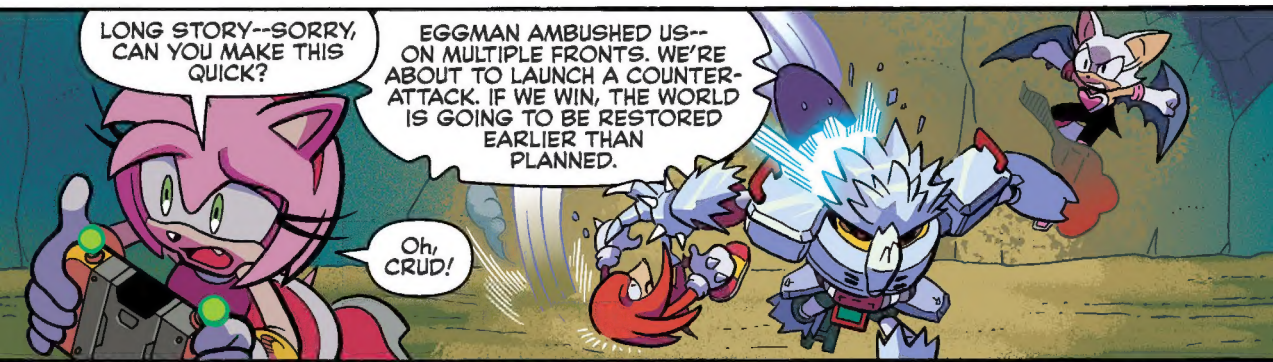


AMY, CAN YOU HEAR ME?\*

YEAH. LITTLE BUSY RIGHT NOW!

WHAT WAS THAT?

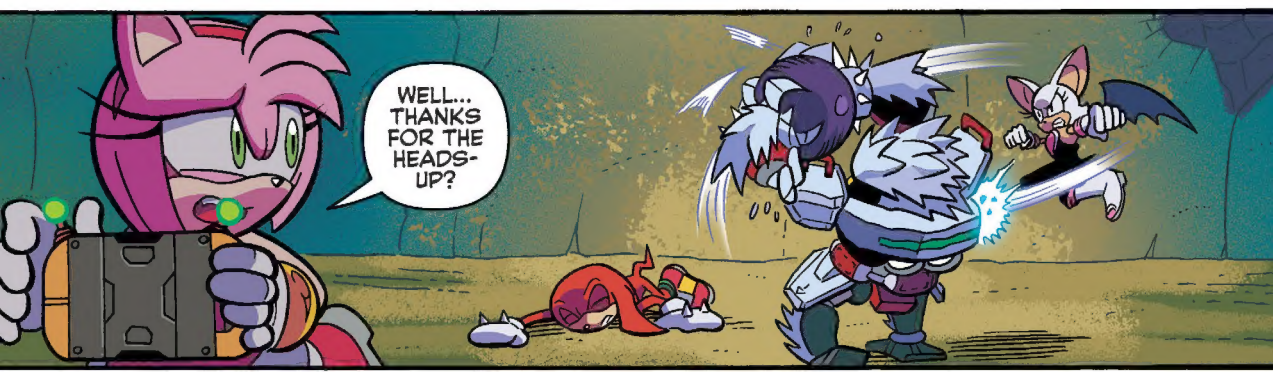
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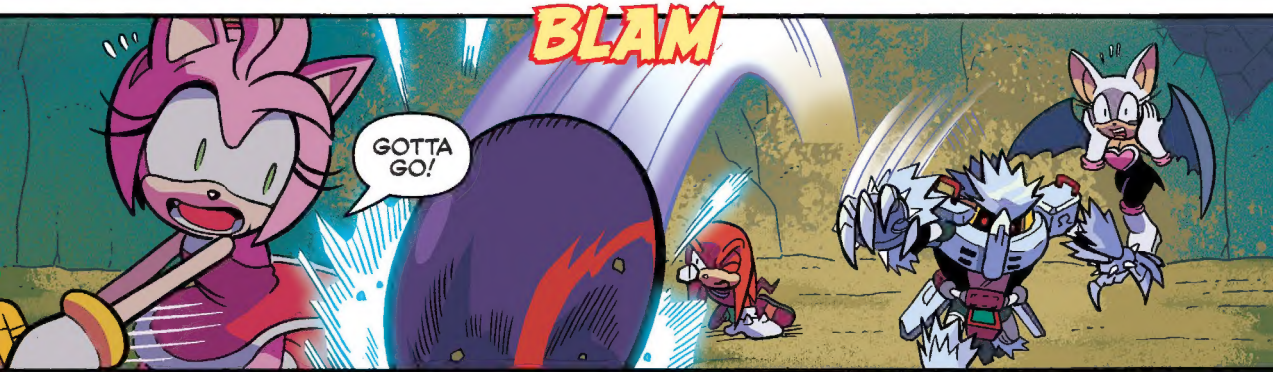
LONG STORY--SORRY, CAN YOU MAKE THIS QUICK?

EGGMAN AMBUSHED US-- ON MULTIPLE FRONTS. WE'RE ABOUT TO LAUNCH A COUNTER-ATTACK. IF WE WIN, THE WORLD IS GOING TO BE RESTORED EARLIER THAN PLANNED.

Oh, CRUD!

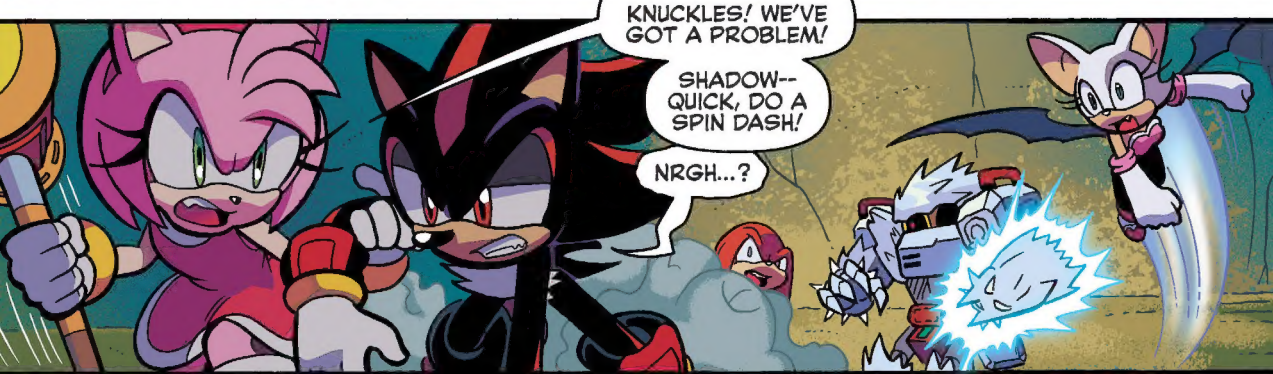


WELL... THANKS FOR THE HEADS-UP?



**BLAM**

GOTTA GO!

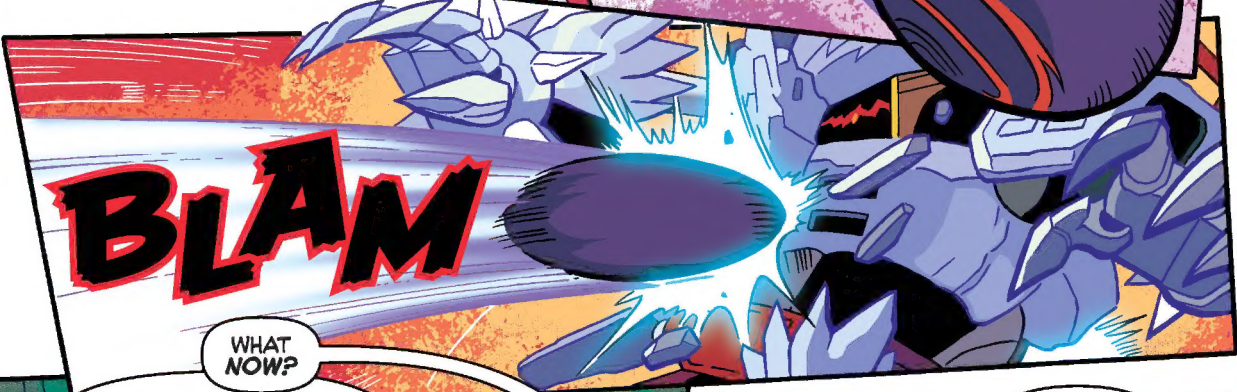


NUCKLES! WE'VE GOT A PROBLEM!

SHADOW-- QUICK, DO A SPIN DASH!

NRGH...?





WHAT NOW?

SALLY SAYS EGGMAN ATTACKED AND MESSED UP THE PLAN! I DON'T HAVE THE DETAILS, BUT THE TIME-TABLE FOR RESTORING THE WORLD JUST GOT BUMPED UP.



ARE WE TALKING DAYS, HOURS OR MINUTES?

I DON'T KNOW! BUT IT SOUNDED LIKE "SOONER" RATHER THAN "LATER."



THEN WE NEED TO END THIS FIGHT NOW. I WON'T LET ANGEL ISLAND FALL TO ITS DOOM!

I PROMISED I WOULD HELP YOU SAVE THE ISLAND, AND I MEANT IT!





# RRUMMBLE

THAT SOUNDS LIKE QUITE THE BATTLE UP THERE...

I'LL BE CUTTING THIS CLOSE.


IF I HADN'T BEEN SO IMPATIENT, I COULD'VE HAD KNUCKLES DO THIS FOR ME. THEN AGAIN, WHO KNOWS WHAT POWER HE MIGHT'VE WIELDED? TOO RISKY. THIS IS MY LAST CHANCE...

...AND I WILL NOT BE FOILED AGAIN. I'VE ALREADY SUFFERED SET-BACK...

"...AFTER SET-BACK..."

"...AFTER SET-BACK..."




A panel showing Dr. Eggman in a red and white suit, sitting at a control console with a large monitor. He has a wide, confident grin. The background is a dark, industrial-looking interior with various mechanical components and glowing lights.

"BUT THE WORST WAS WHEN THE DOCTOR TESTED HIS INFERNAL GENESIS WAVE TECHNOLOGY FOR THE FIRST TIME."

A panel showing Sonic and Tails flying through a colorful, ethereal rift. The background is a mix of purple, blue, and yellow with sparkling light effects. Sonic is in the foreground, looking back over his shoulder, while Tails is behind him.

"THE WORLD WAS SPLIT INTO POCKET DIMENSIONS. I WAS CAUGHT IN ONE OF THE RIFTS BETWEEN THEM."

A panel showing a close-up of a horned, grey creature with a large, curved horn and a small flower on its forehead. The creature has a determined and somewhat angry expression.

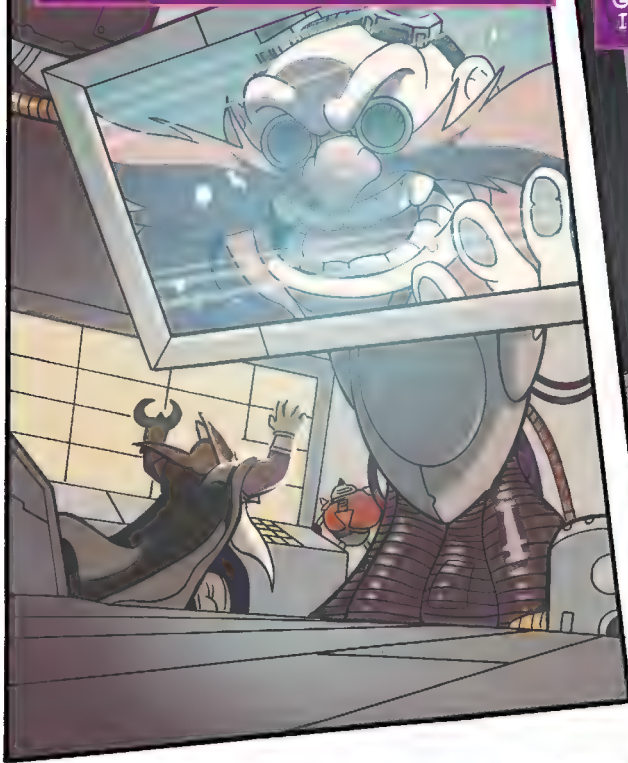
"I'VE PIECED TOGETHER THAT SONIC RESTORED THE WORLD, BUT I WAS LEFT CHANGED. DIMINISHED. UTTERLY POWERLESS."

A panel showing a grey, horned creature holding a large, glowing green crystal. In the foreground, a wizard with a long white beard and a purple robe is gesturing with his hand towards the crystal. The background is a bright, green, ethereal light.

"I MADE MY WAY BACK HERE, TO MY ANCESTRAL HOMELAND, BUT THE CRYSTALS IN THESE MINES COULD DO NOTHING FOR ME."



"OUT OF DESPERATION, I FOLLOWED MY SISTER'S EXAMPLE. I SWALLOWED MY PRIDE AND SUPPLICATED MYSELF BEFORE MY HATED ENEMY AND ASKED FOR HELP."



"HE WAS AS GRACIOUS AS I EXPECTED."



"SO I HELPED MYSELF TO SOME OF HIS DEVICES AND TOOK THEM TO WENDY FOR GUIDANCE ON HOW TO BEST USE THEM."



"THE PLAN WAS SIMPLE: SUPPLANT KING ACORN AS I HAD DONE BEFORE AND USE HIS AUTHORITY TO FIND A MEANS TO RESTORING MY POWER."





"EXCEPT HIS BRAT OF A DAUGHTER GREW SUSPICIOUS. SHE SENT HER VILE ARTIFICIAL CONSTRUCT TO INVESTIGATE, FORCING MY HAND..."



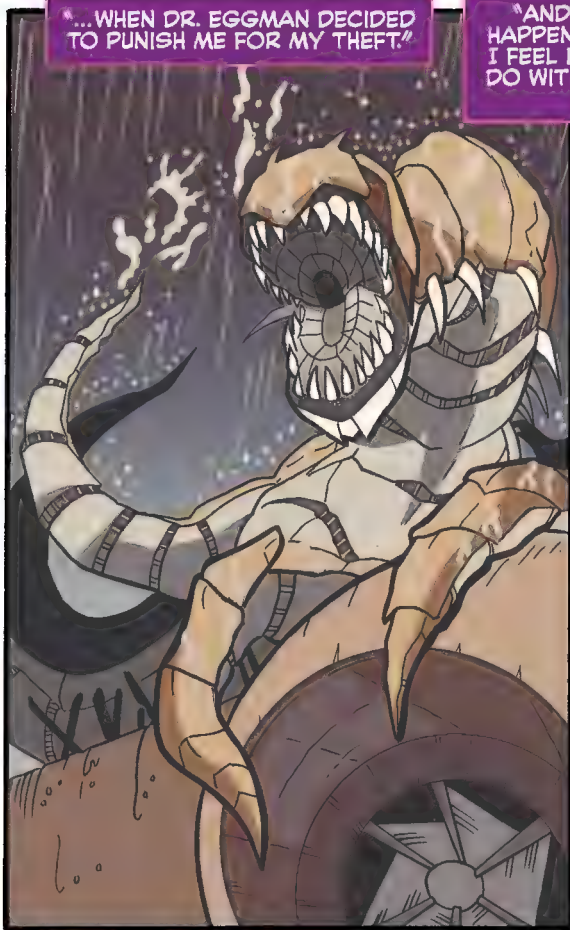
"I HAD ALMOST TURNED THAT TO MY ADVANTAGE..."



"...WHEN DR. EGGMAN DECIDED TO PUNISH ME FOR MY THEFT."

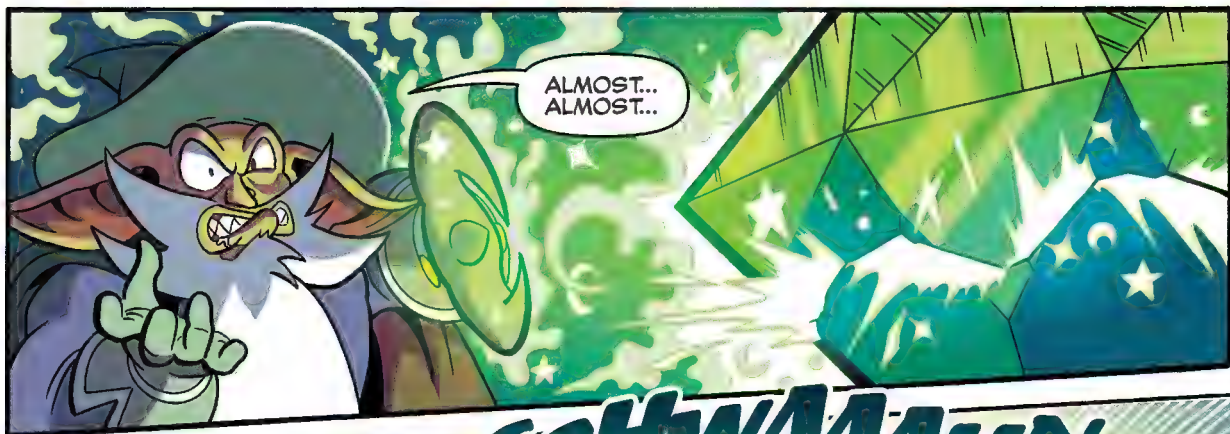
"AND THEN... **SOMETHING** HAPPENED TO DRIVE ME OUT.\* I FEEL IT HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE GENESIS WAVE-- **AGAIN!**\*\*\*"

"IN MY DESPERATION, I HAD DABBLED IN TECHNOLOGY AND ONLY SUFFERED FOR IT. **NEVER AGAIN.**"

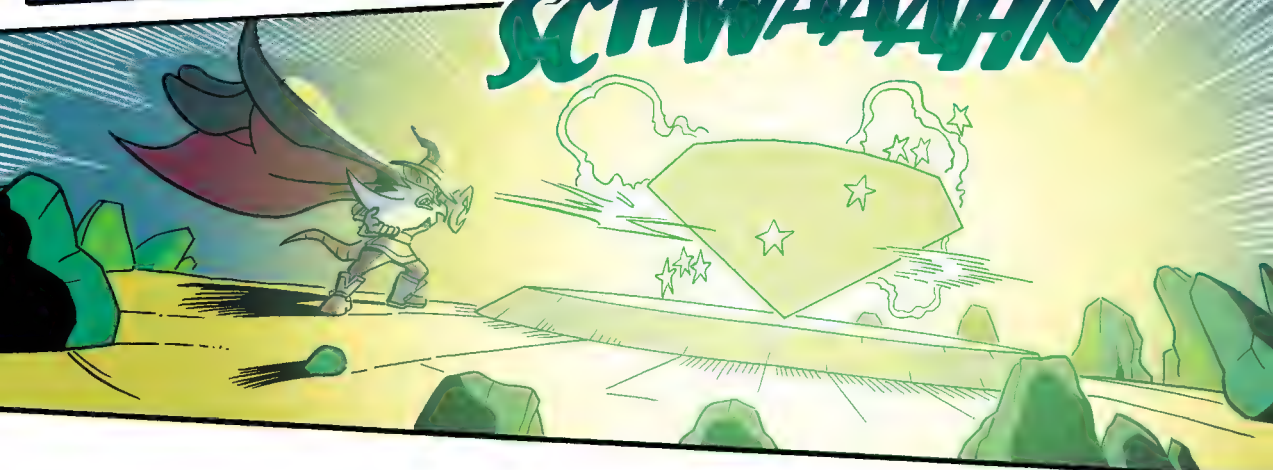


\*SONIC THE HEDGEHOG VOL. 1  
\*\*SONIC & MEGA MAN-- WORLDS COLLIDE THE COMPLETE EPIC





**SCHWAAAHN**







AMY: KNUCKLES?

KNUCKLES: IT'S TOO LATE! HE'S RESTORED THE MASTER EMERALD!

AMY: NO! IT'S NEVER TOO LATE!

KNUCKLES: BUT HE...

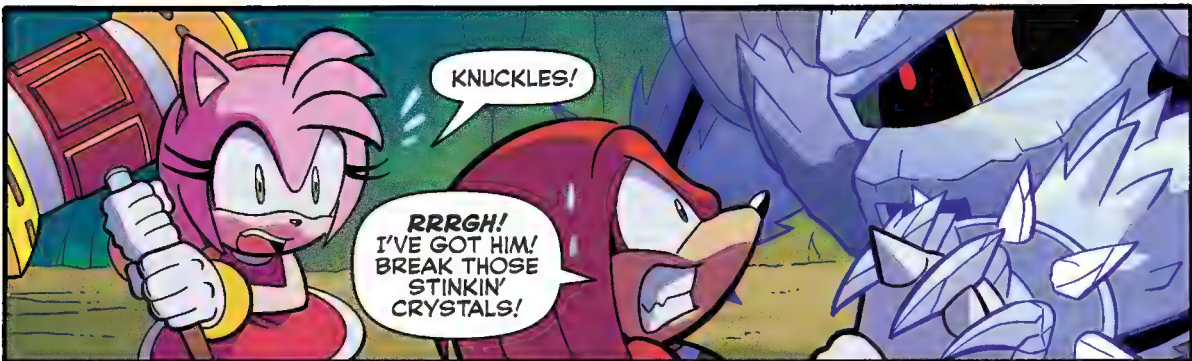
AMY: ALL HE DID WAS SAVE YOU A STEP! NOW ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS PLUG IT BACK INTO ITS SHRINE AND ANGEL ISLAND IS SAVED!

AMY: ... YOU DON'T "PLUG IT IN."

KNUCKLES: HOWEVER IT'S DONE-- YOU'LL DO IT! AND WE'LL KICK HIS CREEPY BUTT WHILE WE'RE AT IT! AND WE--!

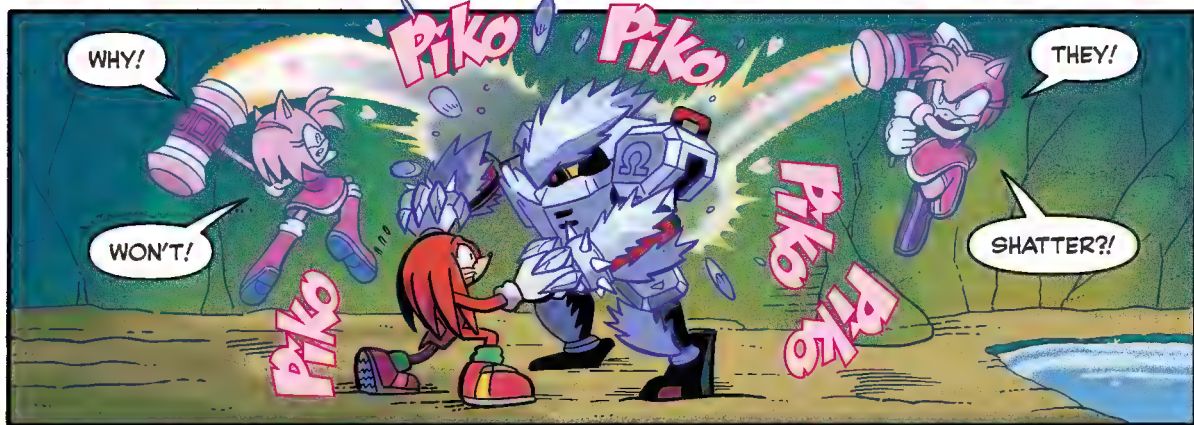






KNUCKLES!

RRRGH!  
I'VE GOT HIM!  
BREAK THOSE  
STINKIN'  
CRYSTALS!



WHY!

THEY!

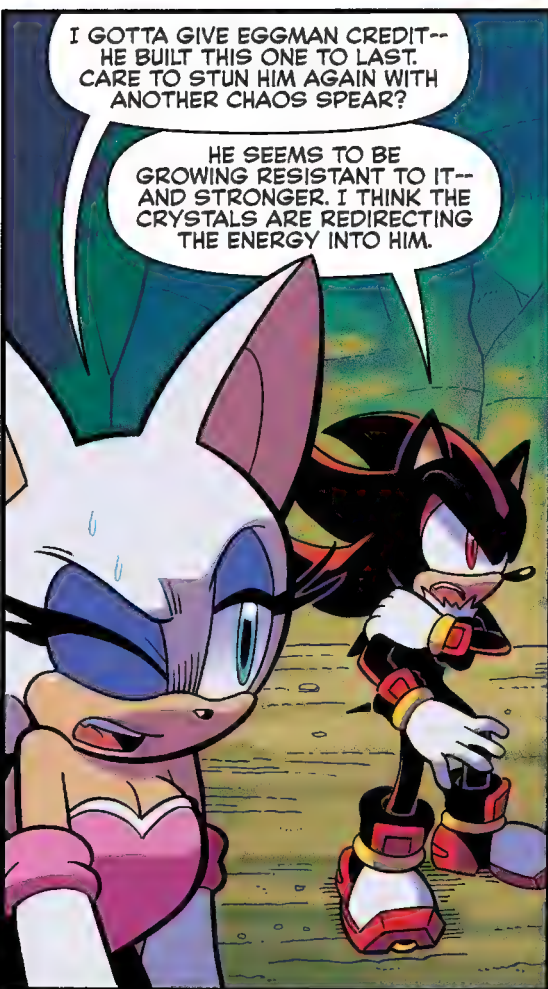
WON'T!

SHATTER?!

Piko Piko

Piko

Piko Piko



I GOTTA GIVE EGGMAN CREDIT--  
HE BUILT THIS ONE TO LAST.  
CARE TO STUN HIM AGAIN WITH  
ANOTHER CHAOS SPEAR?

HE SEEMS TO BE  
GROWING RESISTANT TO IT--  
AND STRONGER. I THINK THE  
CRYSTALS ARE REDIRECTING  
THE ENERGY INTO HIM.

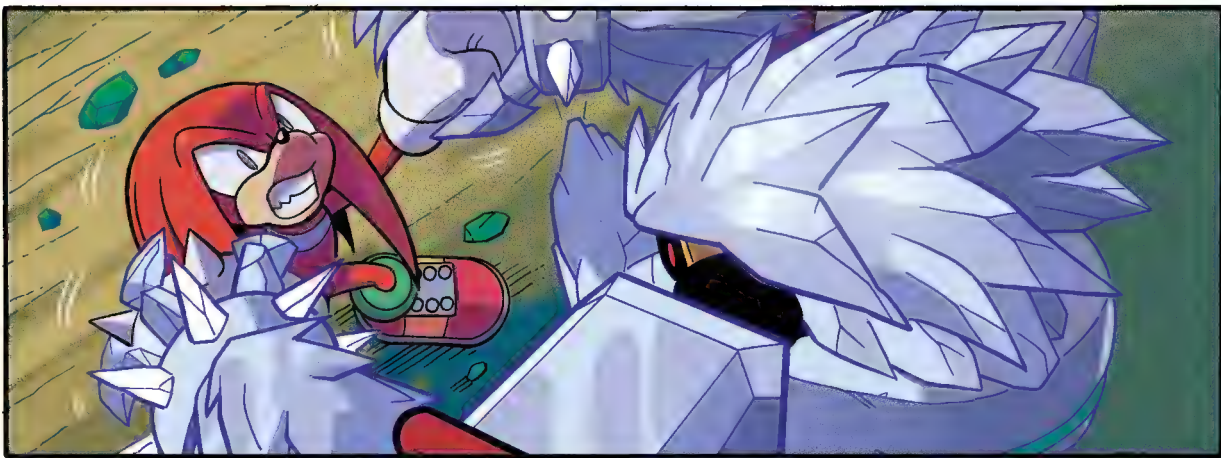


DROP YOUR INHIBITOR RINGS?  
USE YOUR CHAOS BLAST?

I'D RISK  
A CAVE-IN,  
BURYING US  
ALL ALIVE.  
HOWEVER, IF  
IT STOPPED  
NAUGUS...

FORGET  
I ASKED!

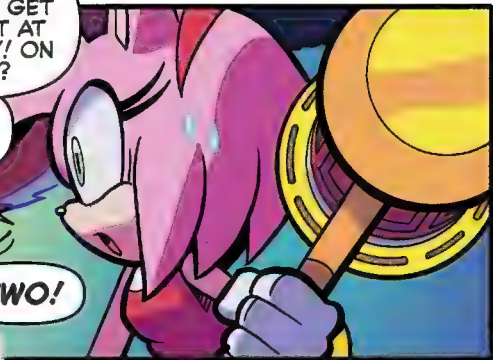




WE MANAGED TO CRACK THE ARMOR! IF WE FOCUS ON THAT ONE SPOT WITH ENOUGH FORCE, MAYBE WE CAN BREAK THROUGH!

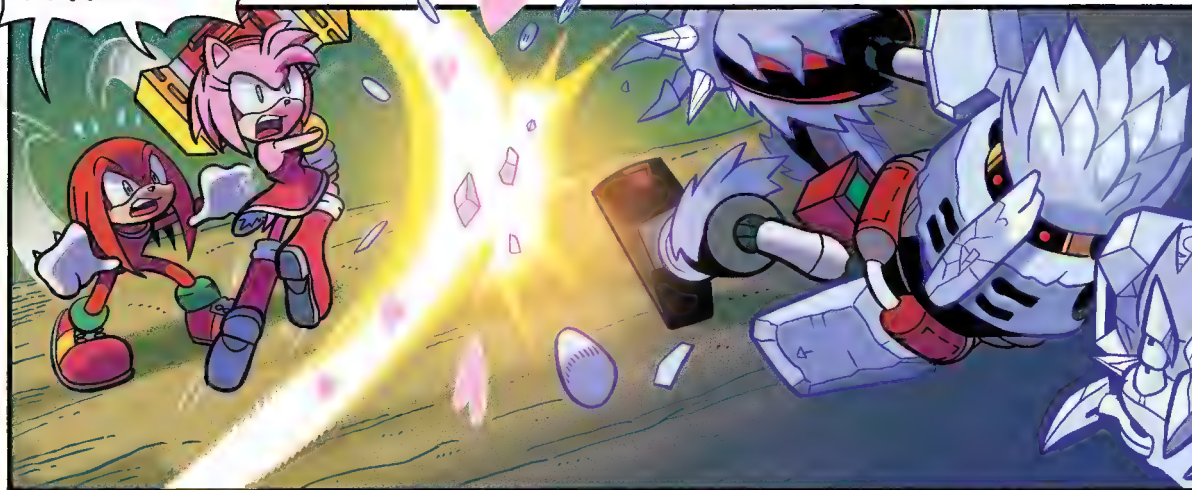
WE'RE ONLY GOING TO GET ONE SHOT AT THIS! AMY! ON THREE?

READY!  
ONE!

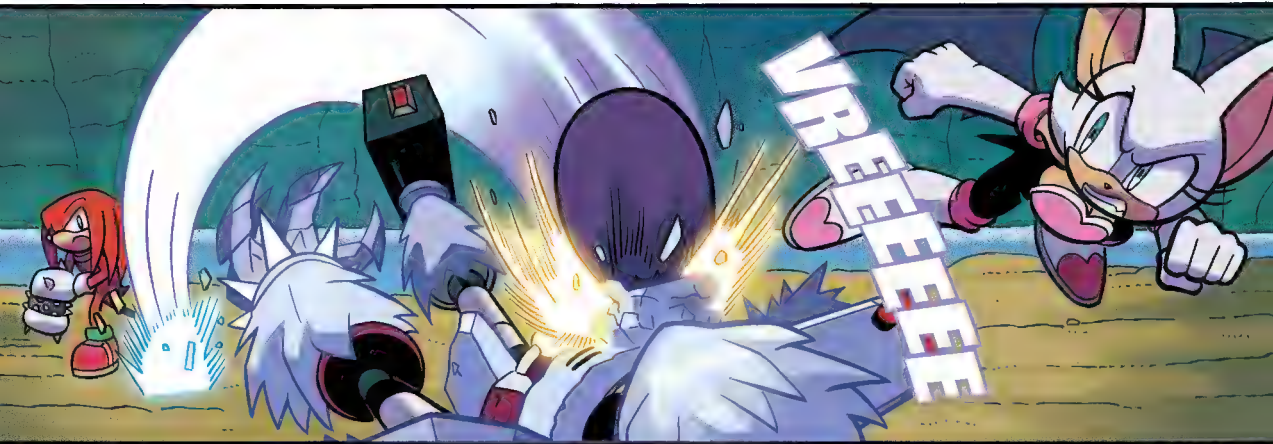
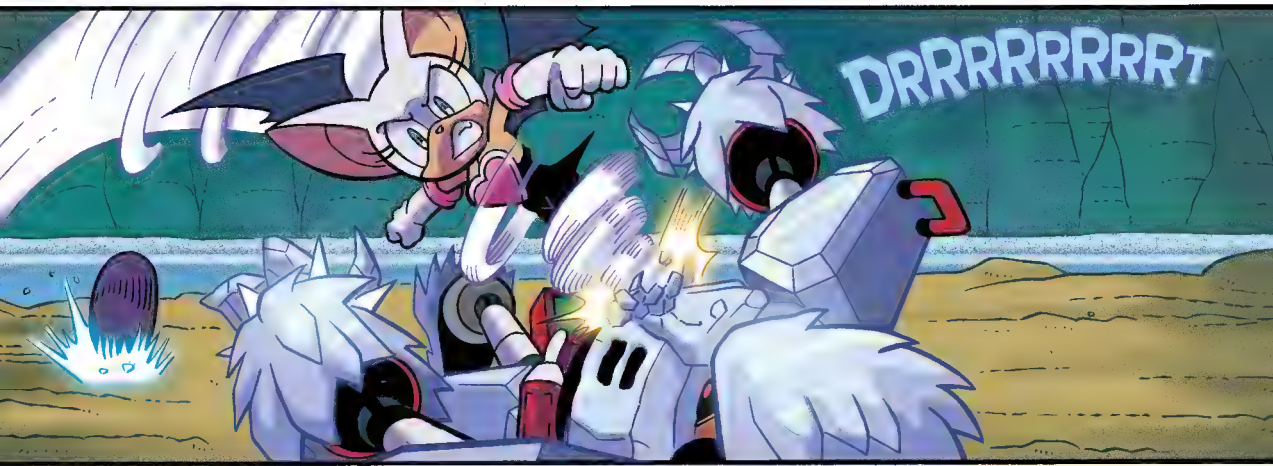


**THREE!**

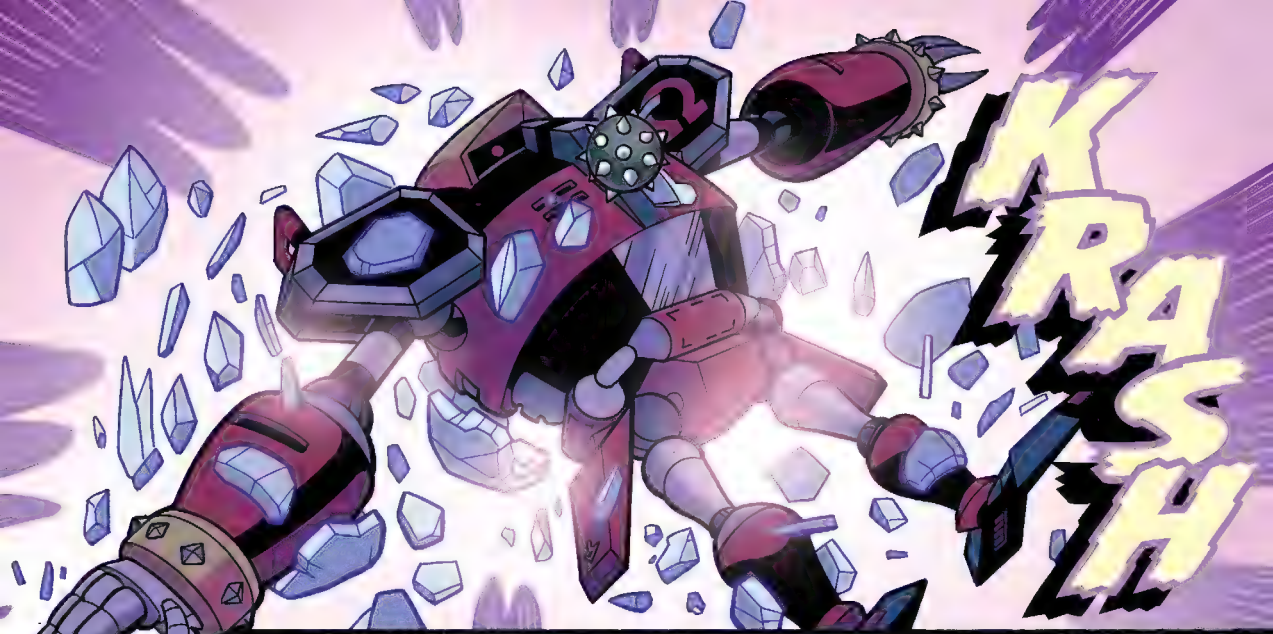
TWO!











... YOU HAVE RESCUED ME.  
I AM OBLIGATED TO  
FEEL GRATEFUL.

... YOU'RE  
WELCOME?

ANY TIME.  
YOU'D DO THE SAME  
FOR US, RIGHT?

NEGATIVE.

WELCOME BACK,  
TIN MAN.

YOU PUT US  
THROUGH A LOT  
OF TROUBLE.

DUBIOUS APOLOGY:  
I AM SORRY. I HAVE  
EXPENDED A GREAT DEAL  
OF ENERGY IN SERVICE  
TO WALTER NAUGUS.

TO MAKE AMENDS,  
I WILL NOW EXPEND EQUAL  
AMOUNTS OF ENERGY IN  
DESTROYING WALTER  
NAUGUS.





HE'S  
BEHIND HERE!  
THE CRYSTAL  
IS TOO THICK  
TO PUNCH  
THROUGH,  
BUT--



STAND  
ASIDE,  
INFERIOR  
MAMMAL.

**KER-ZOT**



HURRY!  
BEFORE HE TAPS  
INTO THE MASTER  
EMERALD'S  
POWER!

STEP  
AWAY  
FROM  
THE  
GEM,  
UGLY!



AH-AH-AH!  
FINDERS KEEPERS,  
CHILDREN.





ARE WE TOO LATE?  
CAN HE EVEN *USE* ITS POWER?  
SHOULD WE FALL BACK?

I...I DON'T  
KNOW! I CAN'T  
TELL!



DON'T  
HESITATE!  
BLITZ AND  
OVER-  
WHELM  
HIM!

WAIT! HE  
MIGHT--!



**HAHA  
HA!**  
SUCH  
BRAVADO!

**FWASH**



A MINUTE AGO,  
I WOULD'VE BEEN AT  
YOUR MERCY...

...BUT  
NOW?





NOW YOU--  
AND THE ENTIRE  
WORLD--ARE AT  
MY MERCY!

**HAHA!  
HAHAHA!!**

HAS WALTER NAUGUS WON?  
HOW WILL OUR HEROES SAVE  
ANGEL ISLAND NOW? HOW WILL  
THEY SAVE *THEMSELVES*?!  
IT ALL FALLS INTO PLACE  
IN THE FINALE *NEXT TIME!*

UNTIL THEN DON'T MISS OUT ON  
*SONIC THE HEDGEHOG,*  
*SONIC SUPER DIGEST* AND THE  
*GRAPHIC NOVEL LIBRARY!*



# Letter from the EDITOR

Editorial commentary; We've got edits. We've got comments. Nailed it.

## I WAS FROZEN TODAY!

Okay, maybe I wasn't, but our heroes certainly are! With Knuckles and friends immobilized, nothing stands in the way of Walter and his evil ambitions... for now...

The fate of Angel Island will be settled next time! Until then, I wanna leave you fans with something special to look forward to.



The above panel is a direct reference to the intro sequence from *Sonic Advance 3*.



Interior pencil art by Adam Bryce Thomas

With a little guidance from the mid-issue flashback, we are finally able to see exactly how Walter got to the castle back in STH #252 (STH vol.1 - *Countdown to Chaos*). With that in mind, the genesis of Walter may be further brought to light sooner than you think!



After being brought back to his own will, Omega feels the regrets of his life choices.

Later, homies!



- Vincent "Vin" Lovallo  
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## OFF PANEL

## THE #1 KNUCKLEHEAD (OR) TOO SOON?

HOW COULD YOU LET NAUGUS FOOL YOU LIKE THAT?!

STOP TREATING ME LIKE AN IDIOT! YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE!

I MEAN, IMAGINE THINKING THERE'S NO ONE ELSE LIKE YOU ON THE PLANET! YOU'RE NOT EVEN COMPLETELY SURE WHERE YOU CAME FROM!

...OH. THE BLACK ARMS.

RIGHT. THAT'S... YEAH.

AND THEN YOU FINALLY FIND SOMEONE WHO'S LIKE YOU, WHO MIGHT HAVE TIES TO THE PAST OF YOUR PEOPLE, WHO...

OKAY, SO MAYBE WE'RE BOTH IDIOTS.

UNBELIEVABLE...

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